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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

(PCT Article 18 and Rules 43 and 44)

Applicant's or agent's file reference ZB/2002/642	FOR FURTHER ACTION	see Notification of Transmittal of International Search Report (Form PCT/ISA/220) as well as, where applicable, item 5 below.
International application No. PCT/SG02/00091	International filing date (day/month/year) 14 May 2002	(Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 14 May 2001
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This international search report consists of a total of **4** sheets.

☐ It is also accompanied by a copy of each prior art document cited in this report.

Basis of the report

a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ the international search was carried out on the basis of a translation of the international application furnished to this Authority (Rule 23.1(b)).

b. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, the international search was carried out on the basis of the sequence listing:

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☐ the statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.

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☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box I).

3. ☐ Unity of invention is lacking (See Box II).

4. With regard to the title, ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

5. With regard to the abstract, ☒ the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

☐ the text has been established, according to Rule 38.2(b), by this Authority as it appears in Box III. The applicant may, within one month from the date of mailing of this international search report, submit comments to this Authority.

6. The figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. **1**

☒ as suggested by the applicant.

☐ None of the figures

☐ because the applicant failed to suggest a figure

☐ because this figure better characterizes the invention

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

Int. Cl. ⁷: C08G 79/04, A61K 47/48, A61P 21/06, 11/06, 9/10, 1/08, 35/00, 11/02, 1/12, 1/10

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC: C08G 79/04, A61K 47/48

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

WPAT & JAPIO (Search terms: phosphoester, biodegradable)

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 5 194 581 A (LEONG) 16 March 1993 See column 4 line 19 to column 5 line 25, column 6 lines 29-68 and column 7 lines 36-55	1-70
X	US 5 952 451 A (ZHAO) 14 September 1999 See column 4 line 55 to column 6 line 30 and column 16 lines 40-54	1-70
X	US 6 166 173 A (MAO et al.) 26 December 2000 See claims 1, 5, 75 and 78	1-70

☒ Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C

☒ See patent family annex

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C (Continuation). DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT		
Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	WO 98/46286 A (JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE) 22 October 1998 See claims 1, 30 and 63	1-70
X	WO 98/48859 A (GUILFORD PHARMACEUTICALS INC.) 5 November 1998 See claim 1	1-70
X	WO 99/00446 A (GUILFORD PHARMACEUTICALS INC.) 7 January 1999 See page 8 line 17 to page 10 line 4, claims 1 and 20.	1-11, 21-31
X	WO 00/19976 A (GUILFORD PHARMACEUTICALS INC.) 13 April 2000 See page 11 lines 23-25 and claims 1, 15, 28 and 43.	1-70
X	WO 00/57852 A (GUILFORD PHARMACEUTICALS INC.) 5 October 2000 See page 18 line 21 to page 19 line 32, claims 1 and 17	1-70

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Information on patent family members

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This Annex lists the known "A" publication level patent family members relating to the patent documents cited in the above-mentioned international search report. The Australian Patent Office is in no way liable for these particulars which are merely given for the purpose of information.

Patent Document Cited in Search Report				Patent Family Member			
US	5194581	CA	2011171	EP	386757	JP	3128938
		US	5256765				
US	5952451	AU	82611/98	EP	990008	US	6028163
		WO	9900446				
US	6166173	AU	69449/98	BR	9809390	EP	971969
		HU	200001412	NO	994803	NZ	500674
		WO	9844020	US	6376644		
WO	9846286	AU	71206/98	US	5912225	US	6238687
WO	9848859	AU	71771/98	BR	9809017	EP	980269
		HU	200001299	NO	995301	PL	336596
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WO	200019976	AU	62833/99	EP	1117441	US	6153212
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